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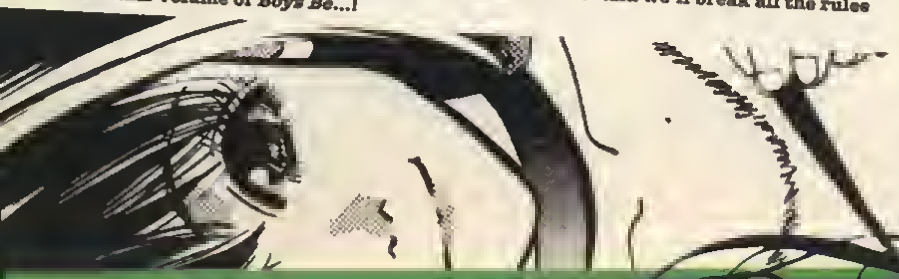

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REPORT 16 Timing is Everything

...I LOOK FORWARD TO MY SWIMMING LESSONS, WHICH I TAKE AT THE LOCAL POOL.
MY NAME IS NATSUKO YAMAUCHI, AND EVERY SUNDAY MORNING...
PHEW!
AT FIRST, MY PARENTS FORCED ME TO GO.
BUT NOW THAT I'M ON A DIET, IT'S PERFECT!

SNAP
HUH?
YOU'VE GOTTA BE KIDDING ME!
OH, NO! I CAME HERE IN MY BATHING SUIT, AND...
THEY'RE NOT HERE!!

...I FORGOT MY UNDERWEAR!!
THIS IS DANGEROUS! I HAVE TO HOLD MY SKIRT DOWN...
EEK!
UGH...MY SKIRT KEEPS FLAPPING UP IN THE WIND...
SQUIRM
SQUIRM
I'D BETTER RUN TO THE CONVENIENCE STORE AND BUY SOME NEW ONES
HOW COULD I BE SO STUPID? FORGETTING MY UNDERWEAR!
NUH?!
YO! NATSUKO!

KEISUKE.
THAT'S KEISUKE IWASHITA, A BOY IN ONE OF MY CLASSES. WE'RE FRIENDS, BUT I HAVE A SECRET CRUSH ON HIM.
OH! UH... I WAS JUST ON MY WAY HOME FROM SWIMMING CLASS.
WOW! I DIDN'T YOU KNOW YOU SWAM. NO WONDER YOU ALWAYS LOOK SO GOOD.
OH, WELL
WOOHOO! HE JUST COMPLIMENTED ME!
HUH?!
WHAT'S UP?
WHY'D HE HAVE TO COME AT A TIME LIKE THIS?!
TUG
EEK!
?!
WH-WHAT'S THE MATTER?
OH UH... N-NOTHING AT ALL!
GOTTA MAKE SURE I DON'T TAKE MY HANDS OFF MY SKIRT!
OH, MAN... THAT WAS TOO CLOSE!

!
IS THAT A NO?
..I WAS WONDERING IF YOU WANTED TO GO TO THE ARCADE WITH ME.
WELL, Y'SEE I'M NOT BUSY AT THE MOMENT, SO
HUH?
UH--HEY, NATSUKO. YOU FREE NOW?
IN ANY OTHER SITUATION, I'D SAY "SURE" RIGHT AWAY! BUT THIS TIME..
WHAT SHOULD I DO...?!
CRAP! WHY DID I SAY YES?!
UH-OH. THIS IS DEFINITELY NOT GOOD.
TUG
S-SURE THING.
GREAT! HOP ON!
N-NO! THAT'D BE GREAT!
UH...!
-ESIDES, IF WE'RE IN AN ARCADE, I WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT MY SKIRT FLYING UP! MAYBE THIS WON'T BE SO BAD..
-ECAUSE THERE WAS NO WAY I WAS GONNA PASS UP A CHANCE TO HANG OUT WITH KEISUKE, THAT'S WHY!
CARNIVAL
GAME

SURE!
YOU GO FIRST, NATSUKO.
HUH?
OH, YEAH! LET'S!
LET'S TRY OUT THE SNOWBOARDING GAME.
UH-OH! IF I RIDE THIS THING...
...MY SKIRT WILL FLY UP!!
WHAT'S WRONG? IT'S STARTING.
UH... RIGHT.
TRYING?! HOW CAN HE SAY THAT?!
I'M B, RELY HANGING ON AS IT IS!
SEGA LIVE
ARE YOU EVEN TRYING...?

EEK!
WATCH OUT! YOU'RE GOING TO CRASH!
HUH?!
BANDAI
THANK GOD...
Y YEAH. HA HA HA.
HA HA HA. YOU'RE PRETTY BAD AT THIS ONE.
THIS IS THE END!
OH, NO!
D-DID HE SEE THAT?

UM, LADY? HOW COME YOU'RE NOT WEARING UNDER-WEA—
OH NO! DID HE...?
STARE
HM?
I JUST LOVE KIDS. HA HA HA...
AWWW! ISN'T HE JUST THE CUTEST?!
URRGH!
I'M DEFINITELY STOPPING BY A CONVENIENCE STORE AFTER THIS!
THIS IS LOOKING BAD. AT THIS RATE, HE'LL FIND OUT FOR SURE!
UH, SURE. WHAT FOR?
OH— COULD YOU STOP HERE?

IT'LL JUST BE A SECOND. I NEED TO PICK SOMETHING UP.
UH... OKAY
I'LL JUST BE HERE, READING THE MANGA.
O-OKAY.
YES! NOW'S MY CHANCE!
LET'S SEE... UNDERWEAR, UNDERWEAR...
FOUND THEM!
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?
HUH?!

ANY THING I CAN HELP WITH?
N-NO... THAT'S OKAY. I ALREADY FOUND IT.
FOUND WHAT?
C'MON... WHAT WERE YOU LOOKING FOR?
.....
TH... THAT'S WHAT YOU WANTED?
OH!
I JUST THIS
HUH?
Men's Passion Horse Sweat RAMEN
Boil for 3 minutes

...S-SURE.
LET'S GO SOMEWHERE ELSE.
USH! WHAT AM I DOING?! SOMEONE GET ME OUTTA HERE!
Y YEP I'M ADDICTED
I NEVER KNEW YOU LIKED CUP RAMEN SO MUCH
BLUSH
カコン
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チラ
OH, GAWD! WHY'D IT HAVE TO BE BOWLING?!
トン
THERE.
I'M TOTALLY SCREWED NOW! IF I BOWL LIKE THAT, HE'LL SEE UP MY SKIRT FOR SURE!
RIGHT...!
YOUR TURN NATSUKO.

HUH?
NATSUKO IS SOMETHING THE MATTER? ARE YOU FEELING SICK?
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GHH--THIS SUCKS! I CAN'T BOWL FOR REAL LIKE THIS!
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4!
I'M TOTALLY FINE! REALLY!
ER NO! NOTHING LIKE THAT
JUST YOU WAIT. I'LL SCARE A PAIR THIS TIME.

OH NO! HE HAD TO HAVE SEEN THAT TIME!
EEK!
THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!
PHEW...!
GREAT! ONE MORE STRIKE LEFT BEFORE A TURKEY!

WAS THIS A BAD DAY TO ASK YOU OUT?
N-NO! NOT AT ALL!
HUH?
ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE FEELING OKAY?
...I REALLY HAVE TO CUT THIS SHORT.
EVEN THOUGH I FINALLY GOT TO GO ON A DATE WITH KEISUKE.
NO WAY CAN I LET GO OF MY SKIRT ON SUCH A WINDY DAY!
I REALLY DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH MORE OF THIS I CAN TAKE, THOUGH.
UH... WELL...
HUH?
YOU WANNA TAKE A BREAK SOMEWHERE?
HUH?
LISTEN, NATSUKO
S-SURE... THAT'D BE REALLY NICE.
.....
NO...?

OOOOH
THE GRASS IS PRICKLING INTO MY BUTT!
...
HUH?
UH, LISTEN
Y-YEAH... IT IS.
SURE IS WINDY TODAY, HUH?

YES?
UH... WELL...
Y... YOU SEE...
UH... YES?
D...DID YOU DO YOUR HOMEWORK?!
...HE'S TRYING TO MAKE A LOVE CONFESSION?
WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH HIM TODAY? HE'S ACTING SO WEIRD...
GASP! C-COULD IT BE...

LISTEN...
I-IT'S GETTING CHILLY. LET'S HEAD HOME.
Y-YEAH. YOU'RE RIGHT.
SOMEHOW, I'M BOTH DISAPPOINTED AND RELIEVED.

HERE IT COMES!
HUH?
N-NATSUKO!
TRAUMP
TRAUMP
TRAUMP
I...EVER SINCE I MET YOU... A LONG TIME AGO...
...I'VE ALWAYS LIKED YOU!

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……
……
EEK!
Y-YOU'RE NOT WEARING ANY UNDERWEAR

UH... ER...
...D-DO YOU ALWAYS DO THAT?
OF COURSE NOT, YOU IDIOT!
I...I WENT TO THE POOL AND FORGOT MY UNDERWEAR!
SNIFFLE
HEY!
HOW COULD IT GET ANY WORSE?! AND AFTER HE FINALLY TOLD ME THAT HE LIKED ME! IT'S ALL OVER!

SOB
SOB
NATSUKO! WAIT UP!
PLEASE... DON'T CRY...
HUH—?
...I HAVE A CRUSH ON YOU, TOO...!
sniffle
sniffle
B... BUT...
AND AFTER YOU TOLD ME YOU LIKED ME... YOU HAD TO SEE ME LIKE THAT...!
YOU... YOU LIKE ME, TOO?

BUT THEN YOU HAD TO SEE THAT! I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO LOOK YOU IN THE FACE AGAIN!
Nn
YES!
NO--I SWEAR, IT'S TRUE! I'LL FORGET ABOUT THE WHOLE THING!
LIAR!
...I COULD BARELY MAKE ANYTHING OUT!
D-DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT! I HAVE BAD EYESIGHT.
I SWEAR TO THE GOD OF FORGET-FULNESS I WILL!
YOU YOU'LL REALLY FORGET ABOUT IT?
sniffle
sniffle
KEISUKE...

UNDERWEAR, OF COURSE!
NEW ONES?
COME ON— I'LL GO BUY YOU SOME NEW ONES
BLUSH
N-NO! YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO THAT!
YOU JUST WAIT RIGHT THERE!

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MIE! I LIKE YOU!
!!
...SORRY.
I THINK YOU'RE A REALLY NICE BOY, AKIO...

...BUT I JUST HAVE NO INTEREST IN BOYS RIGHT NOW.
SEE YA!
HOW COULD SHE SAY THAT SO EASILY?
NO INTEREST IN BOYS...?

THE TAKARAZUKA TROUPE IS A GROUP OF ALL FEMALE PERFORMERS WHO PERFORM BOTH MALE AND FEMALE ROLES. THEY ARE POPULAR AMONG JAPANESE FEMALES BECAUSE THEY REPRESENT A PERFECT COMBINATION OF FEMALE AND MALE TRAITS.

!
POINT POINT
SO? WHY'S THAT MEAN I DON'T HAVE A CHANCE?
MIE'S...LIKE ONE OF THOSE ACTRESSES FROM THE TAKARAZUKA, MAN. SHE'S ALL THE RAGE WITH THE FEMALES.

SO, ANYWAY, YESTERDAY
MM...!
AHHH... OKAY!
HAVEN'T YOU HEARD? SHE'S A LESBIAN!
snicker
.....
...I JUST HAVE NO INTEREST IN BOYS RIGHT NOW.
COULD THAT REALLY BE TRUE?
WELL.. THAT MEANS SHE DOESN'T HAVE A CRUSH ON ANOTHER GUY
AND SHE DID SAY THAT SHE THOUGHT I WAS NICE AND ALL...
THAT'S IT! TIME TO GET ON THE OFFENSIVE!
I'LL MAKE HER HAVE AN INTEREST IN BOYS!!
Heh Heh Heh..

HEY, MIE.
WANNA WALK HOME TOGETHER?
HMM... WELL, I WAS GOING TO--
MIE! TIME TO GO HOME!
EEP!
YES?
GOOD, GOOD...NO NEGATIVE RESPONSE SO FAR.
I CAN DO THIS!

IT... IT'S AI!
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
OH--AKIO JUST ASKED ME TO WALK HOME WITH HIM.
A-HA! SO YOU'VE GOT YOUR SIGHTS SET ON MIE NOW, EH?
WELL, SORRY--BUT NO CAN DO. IT'S MORE FUN WITH JUST US GIRLS!
ISN'T THAT RIGHT, MIE?
WH-WH-WH... WHAT??
OOH! STOP IT, SILLY...!
C'MON, AI ... KNOCK IT OFF...!

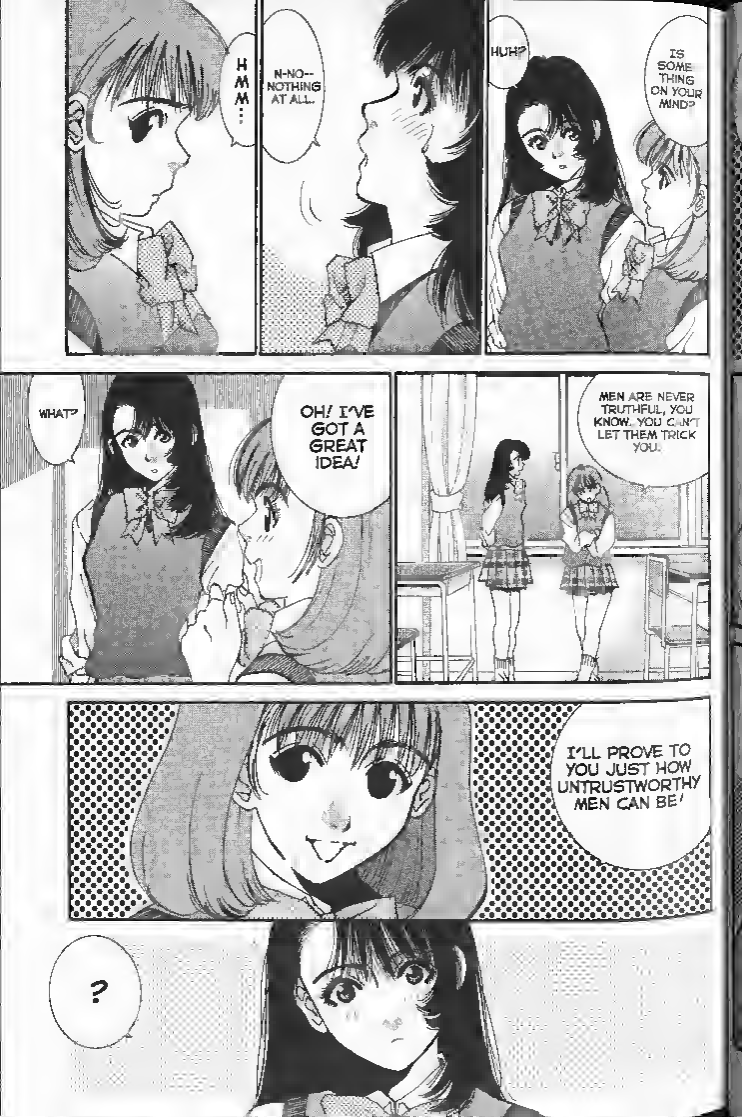
FINE! A TASTE OF YOUR OWN MEDICINE!
EEK!
GULP
I CAN'T INTERRUPT THIS...
BLUSH
WELL, NOW THAT THAT'S SETTLED...
.....
HMPH
I SHOULD'VE SEEN THAT COMING.

SORRY -THIS SPACE IS OCCUPIED
YOU WANNA SHARE LUNCH?
BUT I DIDN'T EVEN LET THAT GET ME DOWN--I CONTINUED TO ASK MIE MIZUKI OUT.
O-OOPS!
HOW FAR DO YOU PLAN ON FOLLOWING US?
HUH?
WOULD YOU STOP TRYING TO FORCE YOURSELF INTO A GIRLS' CONVERSATION?!
HEY! TAKE A LOOK AT MY LOOSE SOCKS!
AWW--YOURS ARE MUCH COOLER, AI!
THOSE LOOSE SOCKS ARE ADORABLE!
GIGGLE
Sigh.

DAMN IT! WHAT CAN I DO?
IF SHE GETS ALONG THAT WELL WITH OTHER GIRLS, THERE'S NO WAY I COULD EVER FIT IN!
I GOTTA GET MY HANDS ON SOME OF THOSE CONCERT TICKETS!!
NOW'S MY CHANCE!
REALLY? I SO WANNA GO!
THERE'S A JUDY & MARY* CONCERT COMING UP SOON!
HEY! DID YA HEAR?
*JUDY & MARY, A TRIO OF FEMALE POP SINGERS THAT WERE POPULAR AMONG JAPANESE GIRLS
...WAITING IN LINE FOR SOME CONCERT TICKETS.
URGH I'M FREEZING OUT HERE! BUT I GOTTA STICK IT OUT!
AND SO, I STAYED UP ALL NIGHT...

THEN, THE NEXT DAY...
HM?
HEY THERE, MIE.
YES!
AND ME AND I WILL BE FINALLY BE ALONE!
THESE ARE SURE TO SHAKE OFF THAT ANNOYING AI!
JUDY & MARY
PERFECT! TWO CONCERT TICKETS!
YUP, SURE DO!
YOU LIKE JUDY & MARY, RIGHT?
YES! I DID IT!
SURE! I'D LOVE TO!
WELL I'VE GOT TWO CONCERT TICKETS HERE AND I WAS WONDERING IF YOU'D LIKE TO GO

YOU MEAN YOU'RE GIVING THEM TO US? WHY, AKIO! YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE!
OH, WOW! TICKETS TO THE JUDY & MARY CONCERT!
!
THIS'LL SCORE EXTRA POINTS WITH MIE!
UGH... AI!
WELL, SEE YA LATER!
HUH? BUT... UH...


IS SOMETHING ON YOUR MIND?
HUH?
N-NO-- NOTHING AT ALL.
HMM...
MEN ARE NEVER TRUTHFUL, YOU KNOW. YOU CAN'T LET THEM TRICK YOU.
OH! I'VE GOT A GREAT IDEA!
WHAT?
I'LL PROVE TO YOU JUST HOW UNTRUSTWORTHY MEN CAN BE!
?

THEN, THE NEXT DAY AFTER SCHOOL...
Sigh...
ALL RIGHT, I'M GOING IN. YOU JUST SIT BACK AND WATCH.
OKAY.
WHAT'S THE MATTER, AKIO? WHY THE LONG FACE?
?!
ERK...!

IT'S A!!
THIS IS ALL YOUR FAULT!
HUH? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
I CAN'T HELP THAT MIE PREFERS HANGING OUT WITH GIRLS...
...RATHER THAN GUYS.
WELL, THAT'S A WASTE
AND DON'T THINK I'M GONNA GIVE UP ON HER SO EASILY
REALLY? YEAH, I GUESS YOU WON'T.
SURE IS TOUGH TO BE A GUY, HUH?
JIGGLE
AFTER ALL, GUYS CAN'T HELP BUT THINK ABOUT GIRLS' BODIES AND SEX ALL THE TIME.. RIGHT?
TH-THAT'S NOT TRUE...

EEK!
HUH?
DO YOU WANT TO TOUCH THEM?
GLANCE
IT'S OKAY. I DON'T MIND.
N-NO... I...

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プル
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THUMP
THUMP
THUMP

スッ
?!
DON'T WORRY... IT'S OKAY...

HUH?!
STOP IT!
DARN. HE WAS SO CLOSE, TOO.
BUT IT JUST GOES TO SHOW HOW MEN REALLY ARE.
HUH? Y-YOU MEAN...
YOU MEAN... THIS WAS ALL A TRICK?

YOU BITCH! THERE ARE SOME THINGS YOU JUST CAN'T DO!
OH!
YOU GUYS ARE THE WORST!
AKIO!! WAIT!
?!
HUFF HUFF HUFF

I'M SORRY!
.....
SO YOU WERE WATCHING THE WHOLE TIME...?
...YES.
I...
...I...
...I REALLY LIKED YOU, TOO!
IT'S JUST... W-WHEN I SAW YOU ABOUT TO TOUCH AI'S BREASTS...
.....

...I COULDN'T STAND IT!
I DON'T KNOW WHY. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER FELT THIS WAY... BUT...
DO YOU MEAN...?
.....

I KNOW I HAVE NO RIGHT TO SAY THIS, BUT...
...MAYBE... IF YOU COULD FORGIVE ME...
YOU MEAN... YOU'D CHOOSE ME OVER A GIRL...?
CLASP

HUH?!
HEY!
RUN AWAY! RUN AWAY!
HOLD IT RIGHT THERE! WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?!

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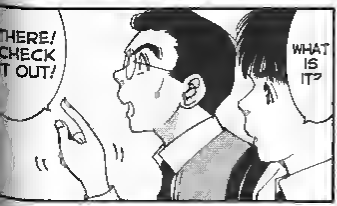
!
YEAH, YEAH. OF COURSE, A GUY LIKE YOU WHO HAS A GIRLFRIEND IS ACTUALLY HAVING FUN

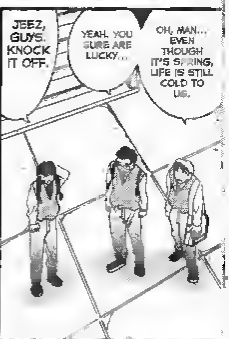
SPRING IS HERE!

DAMN IT!!
N-NO, I'M NOT! AND GET AWAY! YOU'RE GROSSING ME OUT!
YOU'VE BEEN KISSING HER A LOT, EH? KISS KISS KISS!


THERE! CHECK IT OUT!
WHAT IS IT?

HUH?

HM?

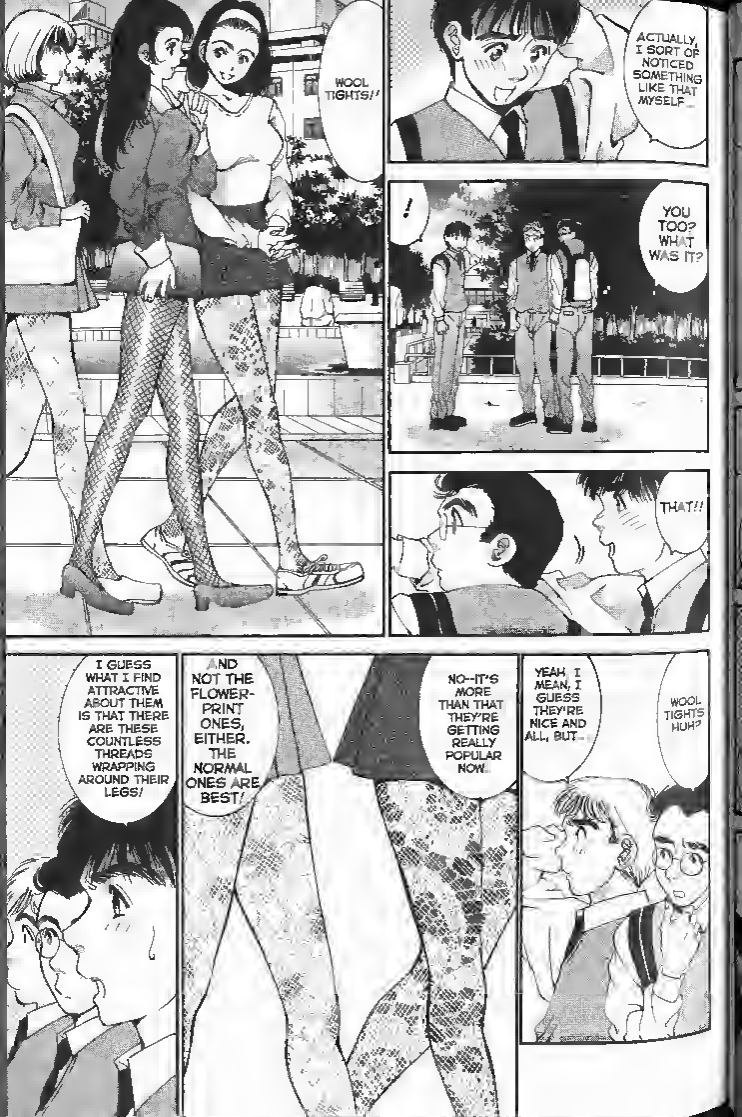

JEEZ, GUYS. KNOCK IT OFF.
YEAH, YOU SURE ARE LUCKY...
OH, MAN... EVEN THOUGH IT'S SPRING, LIFE IS STILL COLD TO ME.

?
OOOOOOOOOHHHHHHH...!
THEY WERE BLUE, MAN! BLUE!
Yes
MAN DID YOU SEE THAT?!

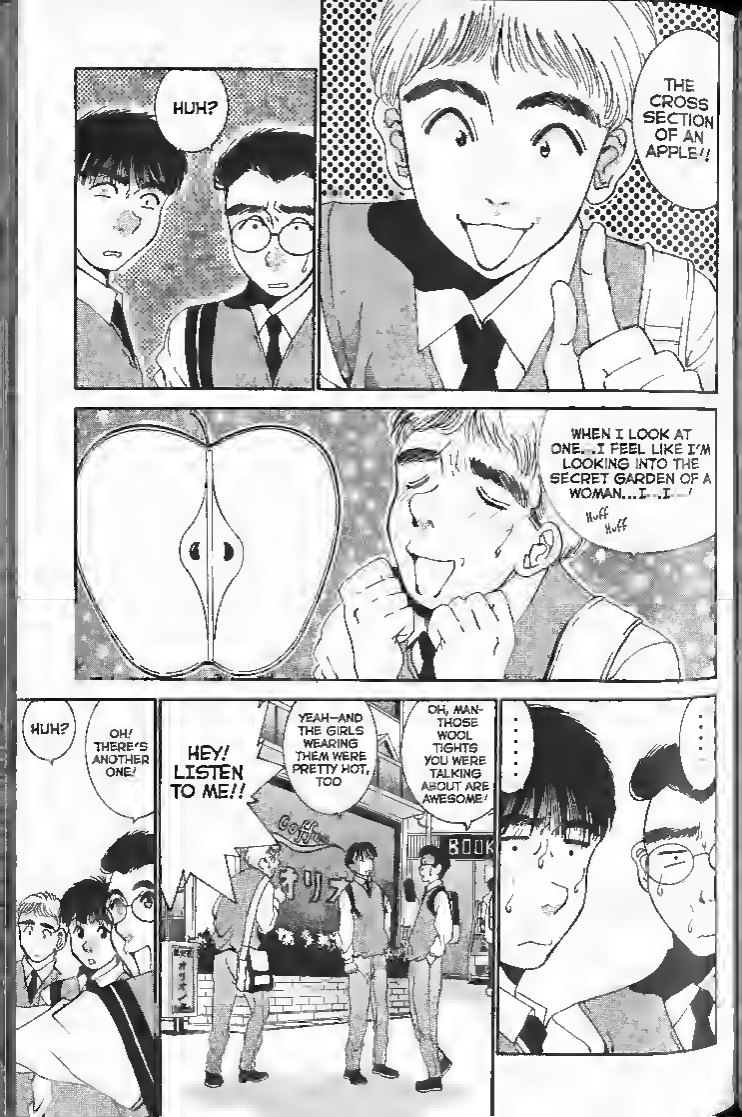
.....
.....
NYUCK NYUCK NYUCK! SHE WASN'T BAD LOOKING, EITHER!
YUP! A REAL FIND!
HM?
?!
STARE
WHAT, AKIHIKO? YOU STILL TRYING TO SEE ANOTHER PANTY SHOT? I MEAN, I KNOW YOU LIKE THEM, BUT--

HUH?
WELL? WHAT WERE YOU LOOKING AT?
HUH?!
ER...NO. NOT A PANTY SHOT SOMETHING ELSE...
WELL... YOU SEE...
...I WAS LOOKING ...AT THE BACKS OF HER SHINS...
BACKS OF HER SHINS?!
YOU MEAN HER CALVES?
UH...NOT EXACTLY IT'S...
...IT'S MORE LIKE THE PART WHERE HER CALVES NARROW DOWN...
WELL, JUST SEE FOR YOURSELF

WITH LOOSE SOCKS IN FASHION, YOU RARELY GET A CHANCE TO SEE THEM.
SO WHEN YOU DO, IT JUST SCREAMS OUT "FEMININE." PRETTY SWEET, EH?
HM?
IT'S THAT PART JUST BETWEEN THE CALF AND THE ANKLE.
Y-YEAH! I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN!
PANTY SHOTS JUST AREN'T ENOUGH!
YOU SEE? YOU SEE?


WOOL TIGHTS!!
ACTUALLY, I SORT OF NOTICED SOMETHING LIKE THAT MYSELF...
!
YOU TOO? WHAT WAS IT?
THAT!!
I GUESS WHAT I FIND ATTRACTIVE ABOUT THEM IS THAT THERE ARE THESE COUNTLESS THREADS WRAPPING AROUND THEIR LEGS!
AND NOT THE FLOWER-PRINT ONES, EITHER. THE NORMAL ONES ARE BEST!
NO--IT'S MORE THAN THAT THEY'RE GETTING REALLY POPULAR NOW.
YEAH, I MEAN, I GUESS THEY'RE NICE AND ALL, BUT...
WOOL TIGHTS HUH?

AND SOMETIMES, IT GIVES OFF THE EFFECT THAT THEY'RE MADE OF POLYGONS
IT'S EMPHASIZES THE FIRMNESS... MAKING THEM SEEM MORE ALIVE.
YEAH! YEAH!
SEE WHAT I MEAN?
HEY--WHEN I LOOK AT IT THAT WAY, IT ALMOST MAKES THEM MORE ATTRACTIVE THAN NAKED LEGS!
ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY GO INTO THAT CERTAIN POSE...
SPILL IT!
WELL, SHINYA?
OOH! I GOT ONE TOO! LISTEN UP!
ポーン ポーン
WELL DONE! YOU'VE GOT SOME GOOD TASTE THERE!


THE CROSS SECTION OF AN APPLE!!
HUH?
WHEN I LOOK AT ONE...I FEEL LIKE I'M LOOKING INTO THE SECRET GARDEN OF A WOMAN...I...I...
Huff Huff
OH, MAN- THOSE WOOL TIGHTS YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT ARE AWESOME!
YEAH—AND THE GIRLS WEARING THEM WERE PRETTY HOT, TOO
HEY! LISTEN TO ME!!
BOOK
OH! THERE'S ANOTHER ONE!
HUH?

SEE...SHE'S ABOUT TO PUT HER HAIR UP IN A PONYTAIL.
WHAT'S SO SPECIAL ABOUT THAT GIRL?
...WE'LL GET A PERFECT VIEW OF THE BEAUTIFUL PALE NAPE OF HER NECK WHICH WAS HIDDEN BEFORE.
AND IN THE INSTANT SHE PUTS HER PONYTAIL UP...
THE BEST VANTAGE POINT IS ANYWHERE WITHIN THREE METERS, AT A 45 DEGREE ANGLE, FROM BEHIND
THIS IS A BAD ANGLE!
SWISH

I KNOW! I CAN'T GET ENOUGH OF THIS!
THAT WAS JUST GORGEOUS!
ドキ
NOT BAD, HUH?
YUP--THE BEAUTY THAT ONLY A WOMAN POSSESSES
OKAY-- MY TURN NEXT.
WHAT IS IT? WHAT IS IT?
THAT!
HM?

EXACTLY.
...THE WAY THE MOHAIR SWEATER MAKES HER BREASTS PUFF UP?
Y YOU MEAN
THAT? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
THEY LOOK SO SOFT...I ALMOST FEEL LIKE ALL OF THE SOFTNESS OF A WOMAN GATHERS INTO THAT ONE BULGE.
I MEAN, NAKED BREASTS ARE NICE, TOO, BUT...WHEN THERE ARE CLOTHES ON TOP, YOU GET THAT SUBTLE LINE THAT SHOWS THE DEFINITION OF THEIR BREASTS.
I CAN ONLY IMAGINE HOW GOOD IT MUST FEEL!
I JUST WANNA BURY MY FACE IN THOSE MOUNDS.

YEAH!
ARE YOU SURE?
OKAY! NOW LET ME SAY MINE!
SQUEEZE 'EM LIKE THIS!
OOOHHHH!
THE ELBOW!
SQUEEZE
IT'S THIS, HERE!
SQUEEZE
WHEN I LOOK AT ONE, I FEEL LIKE I'M LOOKING INTO THE SECRET GARDEN OF A WOMAN. . .I... I.../
HUH?!

I DON'T GET YOU AT ALL!
YOU WEIRDO!
WELL, THERE'S NO NEED TO GET ANGRY, GUYS.
.....
HUH?!
WHAT IS IT?!
GUYS! COME HERE!
THE BACKS OF HER THIGHS!!
OH! YOU LIKE THE WAY SHE SINKS INTO THE SEAT?
HUH?
NOOOOOO!!!

YES!!
Yeah! Yeah!
I KNOW JUST WHAT YOU MEAN!
IT TURNS ME ON LIKE NOTHING ELSE! THE WAY THEY ALTERNATE... UP AND DOWN... UP AND DOWN...
THE PART JUST BELOW THE BUTT.
WAIT! GUYS, LOOK!
HM?
HOW ABOUT THAT?!
I JUST LOVE THE WAY IT JIGGLES WITH EVERY STEP!
JIGGLE
JIGGLE
THAT ONE PART OF HER ASS THAT PEEKS OUT FROM UNDER THOSE SHORTS!

HUH?!
PLEASE! GIVE US MORE!!
WHAT IS IT?
THIS ONE'S GUARANTEED!
HUH?
THERE'S ANOTHER ONE!
THAT IS A TRIANGLE BETWEEN A GIRL'S LEGS!!
THE TRIANGLE BETWEEN HER LEGS!!
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?!

AH... YUP, YUP. A VERY GOOD SIZE.
UH. ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT THE THIGHS AGAIN?
NO! NOT THE THIGHS...
THE GAP BETWEEN THE THIGHS! BEHOLD!

SQUAT DOWN LIKE THIS!
PRECISELY
THE GAP BETWEEN HER THIGHS?
IT'S NICE AND ALL WHEN THE THIGHS ARE TOUCHING...
...BUT WHEN THERE'S SPACE BETWEEN THEM, THE FORBIDDEN ISOSCELES TRIANGLE LETS YOU IMAGINE THAT SPECIAL PLACE AT THE BASE!
Forbidden Isosceles Triangle
IT IS THAT TRIANGLE THAT BRINGS A SENSE OF EROTIC SUSPENSE!
WHOAAA!!
NOW I GET IT!
WHEN I LOOK AT IT NOW...

THE BASE OF THE TRIANGLE!
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WHAT'S IT LIKE?!
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WHAT'S THE BASE LIKE?!
WOW--- THAT'S PRETTY DEEP!
YEAH--- I CAN HARDLY HANDLE IT!

YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING UP YOUR SLEEVE, DON'T YOU?
ARE YOU... SULKING?!
ME?
YOU GOT ANOTHER ONE, SHINYA?
N-NO, THAT'S OKAY. I'M ALL OUT OF IDEAS.
GO AHEAD, SHOW US WHAT YOU GOT.
BUT...
THEN GO AHEAD AND TELL US.
WELL, I DO HAVE ONE MORE...
WHERE?!
THERE! THERE IT IS-- RIGHT THERE!
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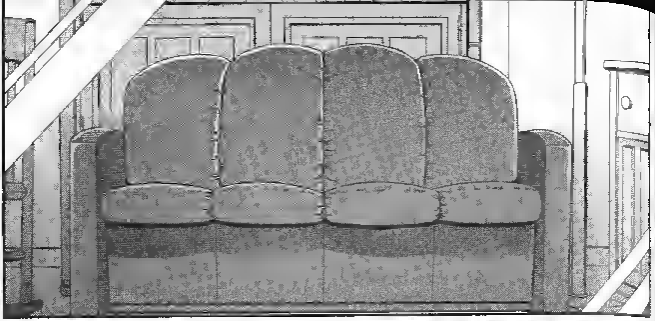
HUH?



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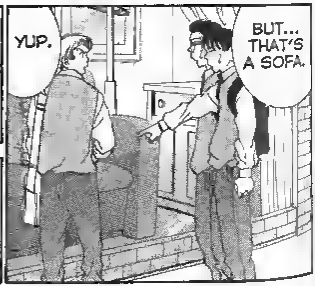
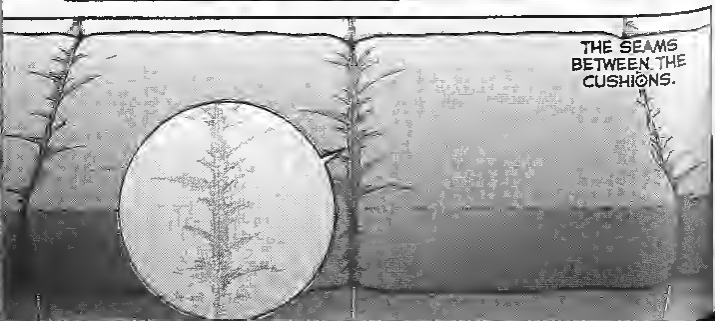
IT'S THE PART OF THERE SOFA HERE

HM?


YUP.
BUT... THAT'S A SOFA.


THE SEAMS BETWEEN THE CUSHIONS.

WHEN I LOOK AT THOSE SEAMS, I FEEL LIKE I'M LOOKING INTO THE SECRET GARDEN OF A WOMAN...I... I...!
...HUH?
.....
BUT YOU DON'T GET IT, HUH?
OF COURSE WE DON'T GET IT!!
AUGH!
ARE YOU EVEN HUMAN?!
OH! KOUICHI!
UH?

IT'S MY GIRLFRIEND, MIE TERADA!
OH! M-MIE!
HUH? OH, UH...
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS UP TO?
HM?
BACK OF THE SHIN
STARE

OH NO!
ELBOW
STARE
HUH?!
Wh what are ya doing?!
STOP IT! QUIT LOOKING AT HER!
Sorry! Hide your calves! Put your legs together! Put your arms up!
STARE
STARE
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Report 19 A Harem Comes Once in a Lifetime!

EEEK!
WOO-HOO! HOT!!
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TSUNEO! YOU MEANIE! YOU'RE SUCH A BRAT!
BASTARD! I'LL KNOCK YOUR LIGHTS OUT!
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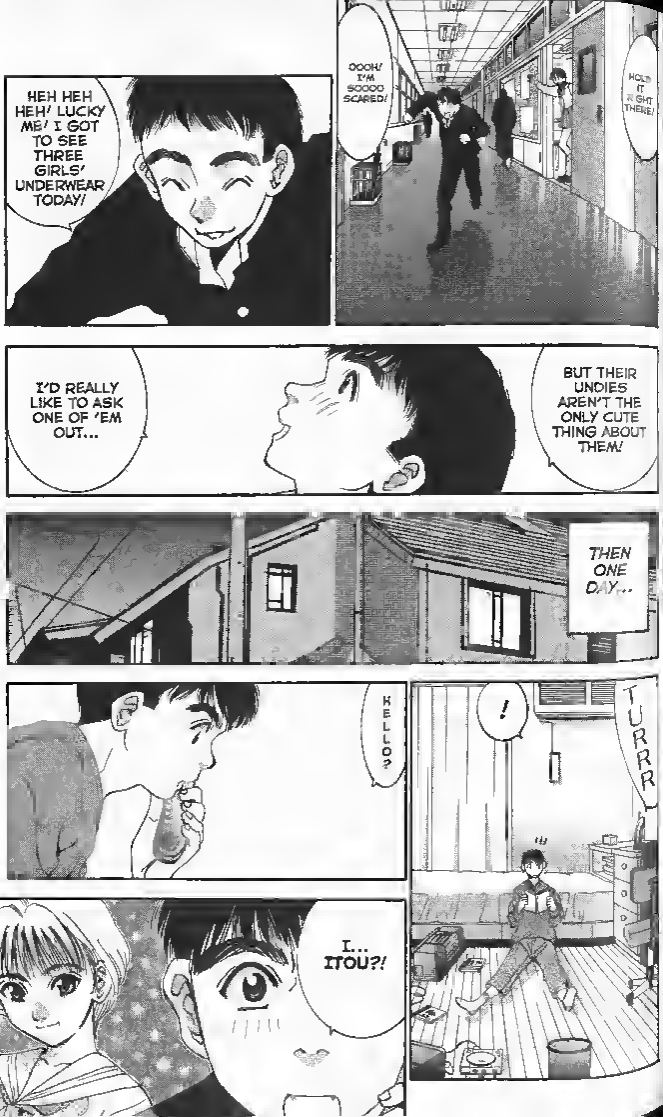
HEH HEH HEH! LUCKY ME! I GOT TO SEE THREE GIRLS' UNDERWEAR TODAY!
OOOH! I'M SOOOO SCARED!
HOLD IT RIGHT THERE!
I'D REALLY LIKE TO ASK ONE OF 'EM OUT...
BUT THEIR UNDIES AREN'T THE ONLY CUTE THING ABOUT THEM!
THEN ONE DAY...
HELLO?
!
TURRR
I... ITOU?!

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I'LL JUST MARK IT DOWN ON MY CALENDAR.
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A.M 8:30 Hiro Movie
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CAN'T GET MUCH MORE LUCKY THAN THAT..
WOW, I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE ASKED ME OUT ON A DATE.
NEXT TUESDAY? YOU GOT IT!
HUH? A MOVIE? SURE, LET'S GO!
HUH? IMAMURA?
HELLO?
CLICK
TURRR
BEEP
WOW...I'VE NEVER BEEN ASKED OUT ON A DATE BEFORE...
A CONCERT?! SURE!
HUH... SHIMODA?!
BEEP
TURRR
AGAIN?!

WHAT AM I GONNA DO? I ALREADY SAID YES TO ALL OF THEM...
THEY'RE ALL ON THE SAME DAY!!
ERK!
AM 8:30 Itou Movie
PM 1:00 Imamura Amusement Park
PM 6:30 Shimoda Concert
AND SHIMODA, HONOR STUDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL...
THE GLAMOROUS IMAMURA...
ITOU, THE ENERGETIC TOMBOY
NONE OF THE TIMES OVERLAP... I CAN DO THIS!
AM 8:30 Itou Movie
PM 1:00 Imamura Amusement Park
PM 6:30 Shimoda Concert
THE MOVIE'S IN THE MORNING WHILE THE AMUSEMENT PARK AND CONCERT ARE AT NIGHT.
HM?
WHICH SHOULD I GO WITH?!
I CAN CHOOSE ONE OF THEM AFTER THAT!
NO WAY AM I GONNA PASS UP A CHANCE TO GO ON A DATE WITH THREE DIFFERENT GIRLS!
OH.. THE LIFE OF A POPULAR BOY IS SO HARD!!

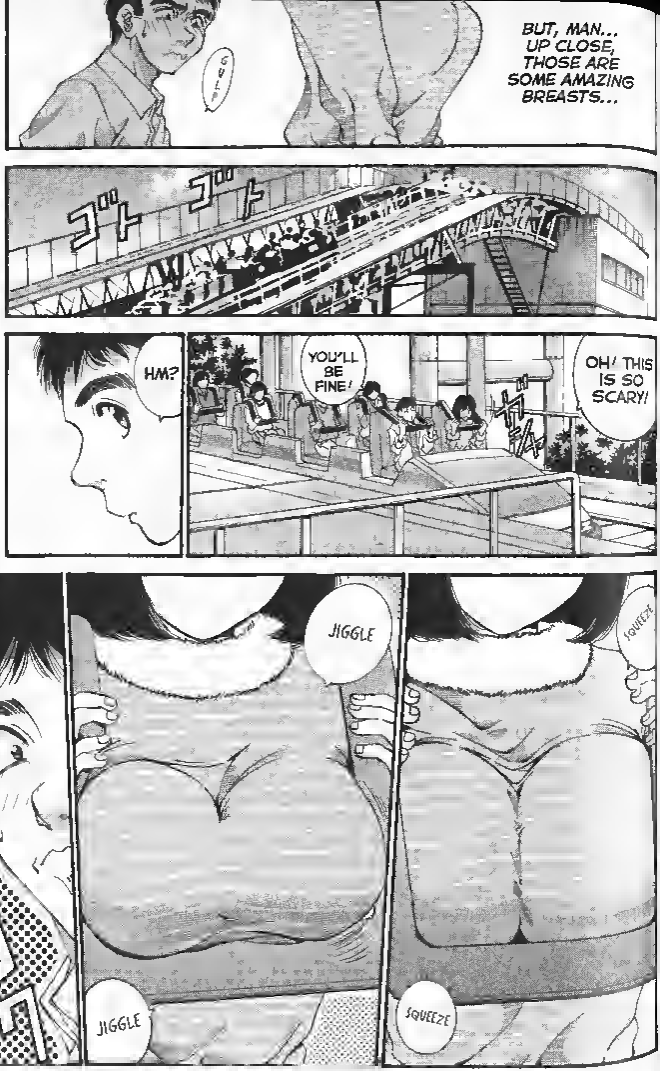
THEN, ON THE FIRST OF APRIL , THE DAY OF MY THREE DATES. .
MAN, SHE'S LATE..
SORRY I MADE YOU WAIT!
HM?
キョロ
COME ON, LET'S GO!
IGHT!

THAT WAS PRETTY FUN!
YEAH! IT WAS THE BEST!! I JUST LOVE KUNG-FU FILMS!
Hiyaa!
Hiyaa!
HIYAA!!
ERK! YOU GOT ME!
HEE HEE HEE!
Take that!
THIS IS SO FUN!
Y-YEAH...

HUH? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
TSUNEO? WHAT DO YOU THINK OF ME?
.....
I LIKE YOU!

KINGS CAFE
SEE YOU LATER! LET'S DO THIS AGAIN SOMETIME!
OH NO!!!!
I SAID I LIKED HER!!
WELL, IF I ALREADY SAID I LIKED ITOU...
...I'D BETTER NOT SAY IT TO THE OTHER GIRLS!

AH!!
SOMETHING THE MATTER?
HUH? ER, UH... N-NO, NOT AT ALL.
KEEP IT COOL, KEEP IT COOL.
WHAT AM I THINKING?! AND AFTER I JUST CONFESSED MY LOVE TO YOU A LITTLE WHILE AGO!
WELL, LET'S GO.
YEAH!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BUT, MAN... UP CLOSE, THOSE ARE SOME AMAZING BREASTS...
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HM?
YOU'LL BE FINE!
OH! THIS IS SO SCARY!
JIGGLE
SQUEEZE
JIGGLE
SQUEEZE

NO!
WAIT UP!
IF IMAMURA WERE MY GIRLFRIEND, MAYBE I COULD TOUCH THOSE BREASTS ALL I WANTED...
TEE HEE!
JIGGLE
JIGGLE
OOH! TSUNEO! YOU'RE SUCH A PERVERT!
I GOT YOU!
SQUISH
SQUISH
AAH...IT'S TOO MUCH!

OH TSUNEO! GET THAT STUFFED ANIMAL FOR ME!
YOU GOT IT!
HAUNTED HOUSE
EEK!
WELCOME...
YOU'RE SO RELIABLE, TSUNEO...
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SCARED.

SQUEEZE
WILL YOU KEEP YOUR LEFT ARM OPEN JUST FOR ME...?
WH-WHAT?!
...NO?
NUDGE NUDGE
YES! I WILL!
BUT... I HAVE TO REFUSE!

THIS LEFT ARM WILL ALWAYS BE OPEN... FOR YOU ALONE.
OF COURSE!
WELL, I HAVE TO GO NOW! THANKS FOR TODAY!
I LOST I LOST TO A PAIR OF BOOBS
OH, NO! I CONFESSED MY LOVE TO TWO GIRLS! WHAT DO I DO?
BUT ITOU WAS SO NICE! AND IMAMURA WAS SO CUTE! I COULDN'T HELP IT!
I'M SUCH A SINFUL MAN!
I WILL TURN DOWN THE NEXT GIRL!

HUH?!
TSUNEO-JUN?
PHEW! LOOKS LIKE SHIMODA ISN'T HERE YET
HUFF HUFF
OH! SHIMODA! IS THAT YOU?
I DIDN'T RECOGNIZE YOU FOR A SECOND. YOU LOOKED SO DIFFERENT.
WELL, I PUT IN MY CONTACTS. DO I LOOK FUNNY?
NO! NOT AT ALL! YOU LOOK GREAT!
THANK GOODNESS!

HUH?
THIS SURE IS FUN, HUH?
WHAT WAS WITH THAT THADUMP?! THAT CAN'T BE A GOOD SIGN..
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I WOULDN'T BRING MYSELF TO GO.
I USED TO NEVER THINK ABOUT GOING TO CONCERTS AND STUFF.
NO, THIS IS MY FIRST TIME.
DO YOU ALWAYS GO TO GROWN-UP PLACES LIKE THIS?
BUT SOMEHOW WHEN I'M WITH YOU, TSUNEO... I FEEL LIKE IT'LL BE OKAY.
THANKS FOR TODAY. IT WAS A LOT OF FUN!
O-OH.
.....

UH-OH. THIS IS GETTING BAD. AT THIS RATE...
SPIN SPIN SPIN
I WOULDN'T MIND STAYING OUT LATE TONIGHT...
WHA- WHAT??
I WOULDN'T MIND STAYING OUT LATE TONIGHT...
NO! I HAVE TO SAY NO!
I ALREADY MADE THIS MISTAKE ONCE! I CAN'T DO IT AGAIN!
OH, I'M SORRY. YOU DON'T WANT TO HEAR THAT FROM SOME GIRL YOU DON'T EVEN LIKE

I LIKE YOU!!
THAT'S RIDICULOUS!
.....
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GRIN
HUH?
A-HA!
?!
ITOU?!
I SEE HOW IT IS.
HUH?!
IMAMURA?!

B-BUT... WHY...?
WHAT'S GOING ON?!
I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOU LIKED ME.
Or something like that
AND YOU TOLD ME THAT YOUR LEFT ARM WOULD ALWAYS BE OPEN FOR ME.
With that slack face of yours
AND THEN YOU SAY THAT YOU LIKE ME?
.....
I-I'M SORRY!!
I'M SO SORRY! BUT I... I REALLY LIKED YOU ALL!
HEE HEE HEE!
HUH?

TEE?
HEE
HEE
EE!
AHA
HA
HA
HA
HA!
WH-WHY
ARE YOU
GUYS
AUGHING?
?
HAVEN'T YOU FIGURED IT OUT YET?
WHAT'S TODAY DATE?
IT'S... APRIL 1ST.
.....

TH-THIS IS AN... APRIL FOOL'S JOKE?
D-DON'T TELL ME YOU--
HA HA HA!
YOU GOT IT!
HA HA HA!
WE THOUGHT WE'D GIVE YOU A TASTE OF YOUR OWN MEDICINE FOR ALL THE TIMES YOU TEASED US
WHO KNEW THE PLAN WOULD WORK OUT SO PERFECTLY?!
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NO IT WASN'T YOU WERE JUST DREAMING
BUT... THAT'S JUST TOO CRUEL!
TOO BAD!
IF YOU'D CHOSEN ONLY ONE OF US, YOU MIGHT HAVE HAD A CHANCE.
HEE HEE!
B-BUT!!
TEE HEE!

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Report 20 Shifting Into Gear

I CAN'T TAKE IT! IT JUST LOOKS SO COOL FROM THIS ANGLE...
THANKS TO MY HARD WORK AT MY PART-TIME JOB AND MY PARENTS' CONSTANT BADGERING...
I NOW LOOK FORWARD TO MY DAYS OFF WHEN I CAN WASH MY BELOVED CAR, WHICH I WORKED SO HARD TO BUY.
HM?

JIGGLE
JIGGLE
HUH?
OH!
OOPS!
HM?
OH...! OGAWA?
OKUMURA-KUN! IS THAT YOU?
YUP.
I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU SINCE GRADUATION!
THEN I WENT TO VOCATIONAL SCHOOL, WHILE SHE WENT ON TO JUNIOR COLLEGE.
I'M GETTING BY
YOU BEEN DOING WELL?
OGAWA AND I WERE CLASSMATES—WE JUST GRADUATED FROM THE SAME HIGH SCHOOL

ACTUALLY, I JUST GOT IT TODAY!
YUP!
YOU GOT YOUR LICENSE?
AH, IT?! NOT THAT IMPRESSIVE.
REALLY? THAT'S AMAZING!
I GOT MINE BEFORE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.
OH, ME?
HOW ABOUT YOU, OKUMURA-KUN?
THAT IS BECAUSE I PUT POTPOURRI IN THE CAR.
OH, THAT?
IT SMELLS REALLY NICE.
YUP, BUT IT'S THE FAMILY CAR.
THIS YOUR CAR, OGAWA?
WOW! THIS CAR HAS A TOTALLY GIRLY FEEL TO IT.

SURE, IT'S RIGHT HERE.
HEY, OKUMURA-KUN, CAN I SEE YOUR CAR TOO?
NEAT!
PROBABLY, BUT IT'S NOT SO BAD ONCE YOU'RE USED TO IT. WHY DO YOU ASK?
OKUMURA-KUN, IS IT DIFFICULT DRIVING A STICK-SHIFT?
WOW! IT'S MANUAL!
MANUAL TRANSMISSION CARS ARE ALWAYS SO MUCH COOLER.
TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH, I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO GET A MINI.
HUH?
I GOT IT! WHY DON'T YOU PRACTICE USING MY CAR?
I SEE...
BUT MY FAMILY'S CAR IS AUTOMATIC, SO I NEVER LEARNED HOW TO DRIVE A STICK

FOR REAL?
SURE!
THEN IT'S SETTLED! LET'S GO OUT DRIVING NEXT SUNDAY.
REAT!
AND SO, THAT NEXT SUNDAY...
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING!
I HOPE WE HAVE A GOOD PRACTICE LESSON.
R
RIGHT

YOU SAID IT SMELLED GOOD, RIGHT?
POTPOURRI
HUH?
OH! ALMOST FORGOT!
AND I MADE US A MIX TAPE TO LISTEN TO.
OH, RIGHT! THANKS!
OH! RIGHT! WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE HERE FOR PRACTICE! S-SORRY—
WOW--IT FEELS LIKE WE'RE ON A DATE.
SOME POCKY, CHLORETTES, KOALA MARCH, * JUST A BUNCH OF DIFFERENT STUFF
AND I BROUGHT A BUNCH OF SNACKS.
Biscuits

*POPULAR JAPANESE CANDIES

OKAY, SHALL WE GET STARTED?
YES!
LOOKS LIKE OGAWA WAS REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS!
HEE HEE HEE!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. IT STILL SUITS THE SITUATION WELL.
HM?
SURE!
WANT SOME?

Say "AH"!
HUH?
OH! UH AA-HHH!
OH...
WOW, THIS IS GOING PRETTY WELL...

NOW, YOU WANNA TRY?
OKAY.
OKAY, I THINK YOU'LL BE FINE IN THIS AREA.
UH... HUH?
OKAY.
DON'T BE SO UPTIGHT. JUST RELAX.
I'M SO SORRY! I DIDN'T PUT THE GEARS IN THE RIGHT PLACE!

RIGHT.
NOW STEP ON THE CLUTCH AND GO
DON'T WORRY. HERE LET'S DO IT TOGETHER
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I'VE... I'VE NEVER TOUCHED A GIRL'S HAND BEFORE...
?!
N-NOTHING AT ALL!
HUH?
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
HM?

BLUSH
.....
OKAY, THEN... SHALL WE GO?
OH! Y-YEAH!
OGAWA'S STICK-SHIFT PRACTICE CONTINUED ALL DAY...
...AND BY EVENING, SHE'D GOTTEN THE HANG OF DRIVING.
Phe...

ALL THANKS TO YOU, OKUMURA KUN!
YOU'VE REALLY GOTTEN THE HANG OF THIS!
HUH? REALLY?
.....
WHAT DO I DO? I DON'T WANT HER TO THINK I'M WEIRD.
MAYBE I SHOULD TRY INVITING HER OUT FOR A DRIVE AGAIN SOMETIME.
HEY, OKUMURA KUN? WHEN I BUY MY OWN CAR SOMEDAY,
.....

...WOULD YOU LIKE TO DRIVE TO THE OCEAN WITH ME?
SURE.
.....
LET'S HEAD BACK.
OK, Y.
HMM, NOW WHERE'S THAT MAP?
Uh, pardon
SUPER APPLE

WHOA!
EEK!
OH!
SUPER KAPOW!

S-SORRY!
L-LET'S HEAD HOME.
AFTER THAT, THE ATMOSPHERE IN THE CAR TOTALLY CHANGED.
IT WAS SUDDENLY VERY HEAVY AND CONSTRICTING.

MAYBE I SHOULD SAY SOMETHING...
GLANCE
THIS SUCKS!
OH NO, SHE'S UPSET!
THANKS FOR TODAY
OH! UH...
S-SORRY-- I REALLY HAVE TO GO BUT THANKS AGAIN.

OH!
AFTER THAT DAY, I DIDN'T HEAR A WORD FROM NOZOMI OGAWA FOR A WHOLE MONTH
ALL DONE.

AND HERE I THOUGHT WE MIGHT HAVE HAD SOMETHING TOGETHER...
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...WHY DID SOMETHING LIKE THAT HAVE TO HAPPEN?
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OGAWA?
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SILVIA
I SEE YOU BOUGHT A MINI.
YEAH...
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NOT REALLY.
HAVE YOU DRIVEN ANYWHERE IN YOUR CAR YET?
WHY NOT?
WHAT...?
BUT YOU NEVER EVEN CALLED ME!
BECAUSE I ALREADY PROMISED YOU, REMEMBER?
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OF COURSE I'M NOT ANGRY AT YOU. WHY DO YOU ASK?
YOU MEAN... YOU'RE NOT ANGRY AT ME?
BUT AFTER WHAT HAPPENED IN THE CAR LAST TIME...WHEN I...

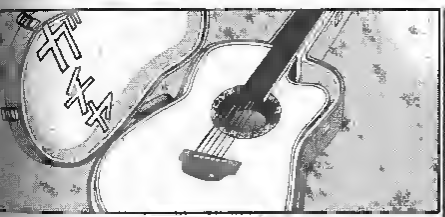
YEAH, BUT... AFTER THAT, YOU DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING AT ALL.
I KNOW THAT WAS JUST AN ACCIDENT.
B-BUT THAT WAS JUST...
AND YOU WERE SO NERVOUS THE WHOLE WAY HOME.
OH! THAT?
HUH?
CLENCH
YOU GOT IT ALL WRONG. THAT WAS JUST...I...

I HAD TO GO PEE
REALLY BADLY.
I HAD THE WRONG IDEA ALL THIS TIME.
...I WAS JUST THINKING HOW STUPID I WAS BEING.
LISTEN OGAWA?
YEAH?
I JUST REALLY LIKE YOU, SO...
WOULD YOU GO WITH ME?
OOH! DON'T LAUGH!
SORRY. I'M NOT LAUGHING AT YOU
HA HA... HA HA.

LET'S GO TO THE OCEAN TOGETHER.
YO..! GOT IT!
WE HAD BEEN STUCK IN NEUTRAL...
...BUT WE WERE FINALLY SHIFTING INTO FIRST GEAR.

Report 21 A Love Song Beneath the Night Sky

HM?
DARN IT THE PARK S STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION. WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO NOW?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GUESS I'LL JUST SET UP HERE FOR TODAY.

I'VE BEEN PLAYING GUITAR SINCE HIGH SCHOOL.
AND I USUALLY COME TO THE PARK TO PRACTICE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT
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I SHALL OFF—
SHUT UP DOWN THERE!
OH! S-SORRY, MA'AM.
HUH?
MATSU-MURA...? IS THAT YOU?
OH! SATOU!!

YEAH.
MAN, IT'S BEEN FOREVER!
WAIT RIGHT THERE!
O-OKAY ...
THAT'S KEIKO MATSUMURA.
WE WERE CLASSMATES IN JUNIOR HIGH, BUT WENT TO DIFFERENT HIGH SCHOOLS.
YOU PLAY THE GUITAR?
UH, YEAH, KINDA.
PPPPS!
BUT YOU'LL WAKE UP ALL THE WHOLE NEIGHBORHOOD IF YOU STAY HERE.
SORRY ABOUT THAT.
BUT THE PARK I USUALLY PRACTICE IN IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION NOW
H-HEY!
HUH?
NO PROB. FOLLOW ME!

PEOPLE WHO PLAY TRUMPETS AND STUFF COME HERE, SO YOU SHOULD BE OKAY.
I SEE.
THANKS.
HUH?
STARE
.....
WELL WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR? PLAY SOMETHING!
I DUNNO... I'M KINDA NERVOUS...

WELL, OKAY HERE GOES
JUST DO WHAT YOU ALWAYS DO!
OH, WHATEVER! GO AHEAD!
TWIST TWIST
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...THE MOON IS BEING WASHED AWAY... ♪TO MY SAD DREAMS, VOID OF SEASONS...
♪ I SHAKE OFF THOSE NIGHTS I CAN'T SLEEP
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UH... YEAH.
HEY, WAS THAT AN ORIGINAL?
YOUR LYRICS ARE TOTALLY OLD-FASHIONED!
Heh heh!
BUT YOU'RE REALLY GOOD AT GUITAR!
THAT'S WHAT EVERYONE SAYS!
OH! I GOT AN IDEA!
REALLY? THANKS.

UH?
HOW ABOUT YOU TEACH ME HOW TO PLAY GUITAR?
IT'LL BE GREAT! I'VE GOT A GUITAR AT MY HOUSE!
OKAY.
HUH? UH...
OKAY, THEN! IT'S SETTLED!
DARN IT! I MESSED UP AGAIN!
AND THAT'S HOW MY GUITAR LESSONS WITH MATSUMURA STARTED

HOW DID YOU GET SO GOOD?
ACK! I DON'T GET IT!
HUH?
OH! I KNOW!
WELL, I PROBABLY CAN'T GET IT BECAUSE I'M LOOKING AT MY FINGERS FROM THE WRONG ANGLE.
AND PRESS DOWN THE FRET BAR RIGHT.
HOW? YOU JUST HAVE TO KEEP YOUR FINGERS UP.
UH...?
NOW START PLAYING AS I WATCH FROM HERE.

OH! SURE...
I CAN FEEL HER BREATH ON ME...
I THINK I'VE GOT THE RIGHT IDEA NOW!

OH... GOOD.
AND WITH THAT...
YEAH!
...OUR MIONIGHT LESSONS CONTINUED EVERY NIGHT.
UNTIL ONE NIGHT...

OU'VE OTTEN EALLY OOD!
HOW WAS THAT?
UH, EY!
HERE, FOLLOW ME!
HUH?
HEY! I JUST GOT A GREAT IDEA!
I THOUGHT SO!
FIRST, WE OPEN THE GUITAR CASE...
?

IS IT OBVIOUS? WE'RE GOING TO PERFORM HERE!
...THEN WE SPRINKLE SOME MONEY IN IT LIKE SO...
WH-WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
WHAT'S THE MATTER? YOU SCARED?
SAY WHAT?!
YOU BET!
OKAY! READY FOR THE FIRST SONG?
I ALWAYS WANTED TO TRY THIS.
WH-WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

I NEVER THOUGHT I'D FIND MYSELF PERFORMING IN FRONT OF THE STATION WITH MATSUMURA...
...AND IT'S SO MUCH FUN!!

WELL, IT ISN'T MUCH, BUT AT LEAST IT'S SOMETHING
WOW! PEOPLE ACTUALLY GAVE US MONEY!
WAIT HERE FOR A MINUTE.
SURE
THANKS
HERE!
YEAH, I GUESS!
Hee hee!
STILL, IT'S PRETTY COOL THAT WE COULD BUY TWO COFFEES WITH JUST OUR SONGS.

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DAKEN!
YEAH!
DELICIOUS!
THAT SURE WAS FUN, HUH?
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HUH?!
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HEY, MATSUMURA. DO YOU HAVE A BOYFRIEND OR ANYTHING?

OOH, YOU MEAN YOU'RE INTERESTED IN ME?
UH...
D-DON'T BE STUPID! I DON'T LIKE YOU LIKE THAT.
I...I WAS JUST ASKING. THAT'S ALL.
OH...
WELL, I DON'T REALLY HAVE A BOYFRIEND BUT ANOTHER BOY FROM SCHOOL SAID HE LIKED ME TODAY
HUH..?
R-REALLY?
BUT IF I STARTED GOING OUT WITH HIM, THEN I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO HAVE MY GUITAR LESSONS WITH YOU ANYMORE, YOU KNOW?

OH, OKAY
WELL, I'M GOING HOME NOW.
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.....
I CAN'T BLAME HIM. SHE IS REALLY CUTE.
SOME GUY CONFESSED HIS LOVE TO MATSUMURA.
MATSUMURA DIDN'T SHOW.
THE NIGHT AFTER THAT...
.....
CLUNK
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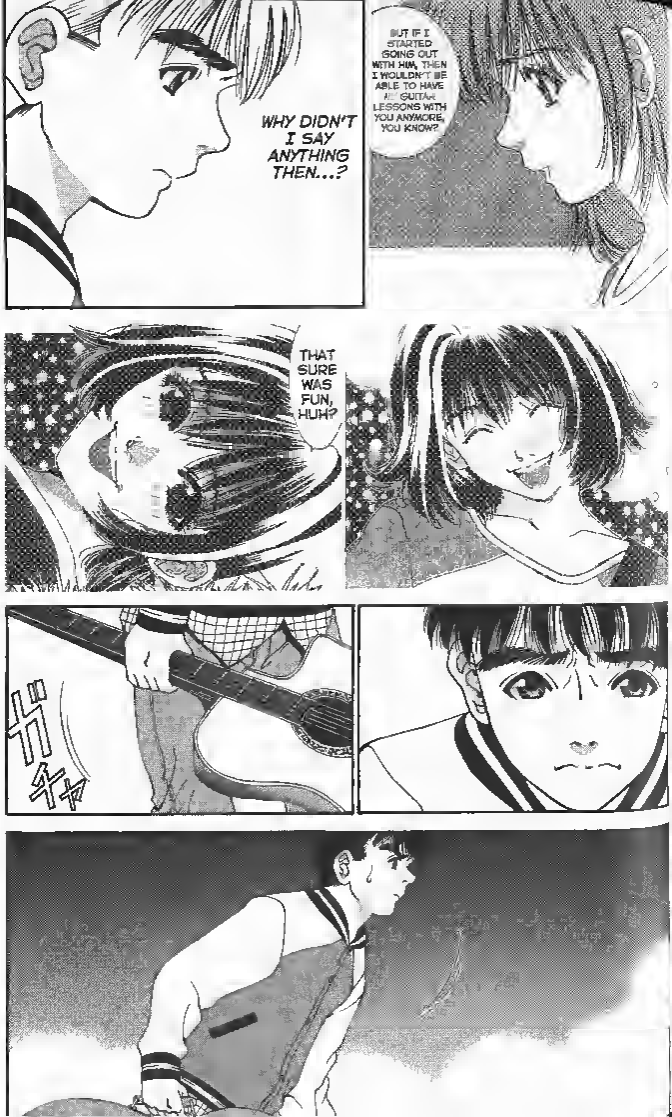
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BUT IF I STARTED GOING OUT WITH HIM, THEN I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO HAVE GUITAR LESSONS WITH YOU ANYMORE, YOU KNOW?
THAT SURE WAS FUN, HUH?
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HERE GOES!
MY GUITAR CASE IN MY HAND, I SING ALONG WITH YOU I'M SINGING YOU A LOVE SONG IN THE MOONLIGHT, JUST US TWO.
I KEEP STRUMMING THESE HARMONICS, AS MY HEART KEEPS ACHING TRUE...
I JUST GOTTA TELL YA SOMEHOW!
I LOVE...
...YOU!!

.....
!
RATTLE

MATSUMURA!
SH
HUT
UP
AND YOUR SONG LYRICS SUCK LIKE THEY ALWAYS HAVE.
JEEZ, COULD YOU KEEP IT DOWN?
THEY MIGHT SUCK... BUT THEY'RE TRUE.
BUT I'M REALLY HAPPY.

I...I KNOW IT MIGHT BE TOO LATE, BUT I REALLY LIKE YOU!
MATSU-MURA...
HUH...?
ACHOO!
!
HEH HEH. SORRY. I CAUGHT A COLD.
YOU MEAN, THAT'S WHY YOU DIDN'T COME TODAY?
Ah... COLD?
A-HA! I GET IT NOW! YOU HURRIED OVER HERE BECAUSE YOU THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO GO OUT WITH THAT GUY!
N-NO! OF COURSE NOT!

IF YOU DON'T START BEING HONEST, I'LL GIVE YOU MY COLD.
EVEN THOUGH SHE SAID THE LYRICS TO MY LOVE SONG WERE LAME...
...THAT NIGHT, FOR THE FIRST TIME, I FELT LIKE I COULD MAKE UP BETTER ONES.

BOYS:BE

Report 29 High-Pressure Lovin'

SO WE HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE ON THEIR BEST BEHAVIOR THIS SATURDAY AND SUNDAY.
...AND SO, AS THE WEATHER BECOMES WARMER, LOVE IS IN THE AIR, AS THEY SAY...
OH...
I'M ALREADY EXHAUSTED FROM STAYING UP ALL NIGHT ON THE PLAYSTATION.
JEEZ, HOW LONG IS THE PRINCIPAL GOING TO TALK...?
WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME...?
WHAT THE...?
HUH...?
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WHERE AM I...?
HUH...?
INFIRMARY
!
HM?
ZZZ...
OH, THAT'S RIGHT! I COLLAPSED FROM LACK OF SLEEP!
NNNNN...

KAGAWA?!
HER NAME IS MASAMI KAGAWA.
SHE'S FROM A WEALTHY FAMILY, AND USUALLY COMES OFF AS THE PROPER TYPE. SHE SO HAPPENS TO BE THE GIRL I HAVE A CRUSH ON
NN?
WOW, HER SKIN'S SO WHITE.
SHE'S LOOKS SO CUTE. HOW LUCKY COULD I GET?!
N JAPAN, IT'S USUALLY CONSIDERED THAT THE WHITER THE SKIN, THE MORE ATTRACTIVE

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NNNN...
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!
?!
OH... UEMURA KUN?
UH... HI!

DIZZY
OH!
ARE YOU OKAY? TAKE IT EASY.
OH!
...I WAS FEELING DIZZY DURING 4TH PERIOD GYM CLASS, SO I TOOK A NAP HERE.
SORRY, IT'S JUST THAT I HAVE LOW BLOOD PRESSURE...
HUH?
ANYWAY, WHAT ARE YOU HERE FOR, UEMURA-KUN?
THAT MUST MEAN I'VE SLEPT THROUGH FOURTH PERIOD!
OH! I SEE!

ACTUALLY, I SORT OF COLLAPSED DURING THIS MORNING'S SPEECH.
YOU MEAN YOU HAVE LOW BLOOD PRESSURE TOO, UEMURA-KUN?
HUH?!
OH, UH... YOU COULD SAY THAT.
IT'D BE WAY TOO EMBARRASSING TO SAY I WAS SLEEPING THIS WHOLE TIME BECAUSE I DIDN'T GET ENOUGH SLEEP LAST NIGHT!"
THEN THAT MAKES TWO OF US!
I GUESS... IT DOES.

UH, Y-YEAH, TELL ME ABOUT IT!
IT SURE IS TOUGH HAVING LOW BLOOD PRESSURE, HUH?
!
2-B
OH, WOW, EVERYONE ALREADY WENT HOME.
U'RE T.
BUT HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE UNS IN MY F. MILY!
OH, NO! NOT ONLY DO I NOT HAVE LOW BLOOD PRESSURE...
HUH?
BUT I NEVER WOULD HAVE SUSPECTED THAT YOU HAD LOW PRESSURE TOO! YOU ALWAYS LOOK SO HEALTHY!
. WELL, I DO A LOT OF FFERENT HINGS ...
OH! RIGHT.. LET'S SEE...
?!
DO YOU DO SOMETHING TO KEEP YOUR BODY HEALTHY?
FFERENT THINGS? KE WHAT?

HUH? OH, WELL UH...
PHYSICAL EXERCISES! YEAH, THAT'S IT! EXERCISES!
REALLY? EXER-CISES?!
AND DO THEY REALLY WORK?
UH...
YEAH! ABSOLUTELY!
WOOOW...
COULD YOU TEACH ME SOME OF THOSE EXERCISES NOW?
WHAAAAAAT?!

GOTTA THINK OF SOMETHING FAST!
DAMMIT!
OKAY... YEAH! FOR EXAMPLE... I MAKE A BRIDGE.
BRIDGE?
YES!
IT'S A YOGA POSE.
YOGA? THEN IT MUST WORK!
LET ME TRY!
NNN...

LIKE THIS?
I CAN... ALMOST SEE IT!
WOW...
WHOA!
HEY! I THINK THAT REALLY WORKED!
UP WE GO
SEE? I TOLD YOU!

UMM... NEXT IS...
HUH?
SO... WHAT'S NEXT?
THOSE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE REALLY GOOD FOR YOUR BLOOD CIRCULATION. I READ IT IN AN INDIAN BOOK ONCE!
OH! I GOT IT! HAND STANDS!
NO! I CAN DO IT!
R-RIGHT! OF COURSE NOT!
BUT I CAN'T DO A HANDSTAND IN THIS SCHOOL UNIFORM...
HUH ?!

WAIT RIGHT HERE.
HUH?
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WHAT?!
HEY, NO PEEKING.
WHOA!!
tug
I ALSO HAVE MY BRA ON, SO I'LL BE OKAY.
OKAY, HERE I GO!
tug
S-SURE

HEH HEH THAT WAS KIND OF EMBARRASSING
DO YOU HAVE ANY MORE?
OOOOH!
OOOOH!

HOW DOES THAT WORK?
NEXT IS TO PUT YOUR LEGS OVER YOUR HEAD.
ERK!
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What the dimwit! I can't get it over!
Y-YOU DO IT LIKE THIS! SEE?
OH NO!
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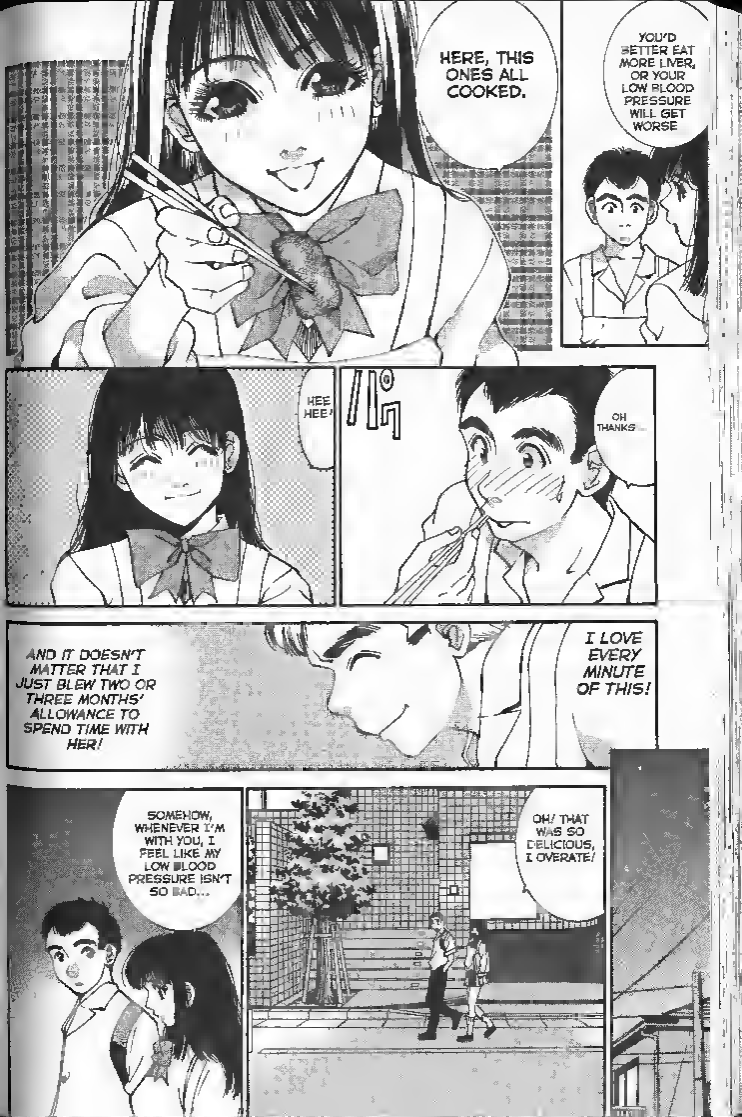
A-ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
OH, NO! I'M STUCK!

THEN, AFTER A FEW DAYS HAD PASSED...
NOW I FEEL SO MUCH BETTER WHEN I WAKE UP! THANKS!
I'VE BEEN DOING THOSE EXERCISES EVERY DAY SINCE YOU TAUGHT THEM TO ME!
YO!
MORNING, UEMURA-KUN!
KAGAWA DOESN'T EVEN SUSPECT A THING!
WHOA, IS SHE FOR REAL?
AND THERE'S NO WAY THOSE TOTALLY ABSURD EXERCISES WOULD HAVE ANY EFFECT!
GLANCE
BUT WHAT CAN I DO?
THERE HAS TO BE SOME WAY I CAN MAKE IT UP TO HER!
OH MAN, WHENEVER I SEE HER SMILE, IT ONLY MAKES ME MORE CONSCIOUS OF MY CRIME!

Yakiniku Hien
YEAH?
WOW! I REALLY HAVEN'T GONE TO MANY KOREAN BARBECUES*!
THIS LIVER IS DELICIOUS!
THEY SAY LIVER IS GOOD FOR PEOPLE WITH ANEMIA.
NO PROB.
THANK YOU, UEMURA-KUN.


HERE, THIS ONES ALL COOKED.
YOU'D BETTER EAT MORE LIVER, OR YOUR LOW BLOOD PRESSURE WILL GET WORSE
HEE HEE
OH THANKS...
I LOVE EVERY MINUTE OF THIS!
AND IT DOESN'T MATTER THAT I JUST BLEW TWO OR THREE MONTHS' ALLOWANCE TO SPEND TIME WITH HER!
SOMEHOW, WHENEVER I'M WITH YOU, I FEEL LIKE MY LOW BLOOD PRESSURE ISN'T SO BAD...
OH! THAT WAS SO DELICIOUS, I OVERATE!

I HOPE... WE CAN GO AGAIN SOMETIME.
MAYBE I CAN HOLD OUT JUST A LITTLE BIT LONGER...
BUT I CAN'T TELL HER IT WAS A LIE NOW!
CAN I KEEP LYING LIKE THIS?
KAGAWA...
HEY, UEMURA-KUN? DOES MY HAIR SMELL LIKE BARBECUE?
SNIFF SNIFF

WHERE? LET ME SEE.
SNIFF SNIFF
AAAAH.. IT SMELLS LIKE SHAMPOO SO NICE..
OH!
HUH?
UEMURA-KUN! YOU'VE GOT A BLOODY NOSE!*
HUH?!
*IN JAPAN, BLOODY NOSES CAN BE INTERPRETED AS A SIGN OF BEING TURNED ON!
OH, NO! IT MUST'VE BEEN BECAUSE I ATE THAT LIVER. I HAVE HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE...
OOPS!
HUH? HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE?

I WAS TALKING ABOUT LOW BLOOD PRESSURE..
UH, NO. SEE WHEN I SAID HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE
I'M... I'M SORRY!
.....
I REALLY HAVE HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE!
I WAS LYING ABOUT HAVING LOW BLOOD PRESSURE!
.
.....

BUT WHY WOULD YOU LIE ABOUT SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
I MEAN...I KNEW IT WAS WRONG OF ME TO LIE, BUT I JUST COULDN'T TELL YOU.
B-BECAUSE...
.....
.....
KAGAWA! PLEASE WAIT!
OH!
I'M GOING.
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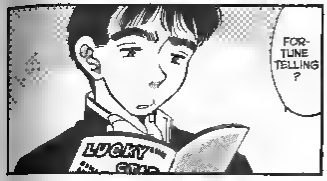
KAGAWA!
ARE YOU OKAY? HANG IN THERE!
PLEASE-- HANG IN THERE! I KNOW I WAS WRONG!
I DIDN'T MEAN ANY HARM, AND I NEVER MEANT TO HURT YOU!
I JUST WANTED TO BE WITH YOU! THAT'S WHY I DIDN'T TELL YOU THE TRUTH!
BECAUSE I LIKE YOU!!
PUK
HUH?

HUH…?
JUST KIDDING
THAT'S WHAT YOU GET FOR LYING TO ME.
……
!
HERE'S SOME TISSUES.
OH! RIGHT! THANKS.
TO WIPE YOUR BLOODY NOSE, SILLY.

Report 23 Fortunetelling: A Dangerous Aphrodisiac!

I SAID NOT TODAY ...
NAMI...
HUH?

YASUAKI, I TOLD YOU! TODAY'S NOT A GOOD DAY!
BUT WHY NOT? WE'VE BEEN GOING OUT FOR SIX MONTHS NOW!
I KNOW THAT, BUT... WE JUST CAN'T TODAY.
WHY NOT?
HERE, TAKE A LOOK AT THIS
KUH?



Sagittarius

Lucky Color
Light Brown

Love Fortune

This week, your love fortune is the absolute worst!
If you can, try canceling as many dates as possible and stay indoors!
If you must to go on a date anyway, be sure not to allow any progress in your relationship
Especially on the ninth of April!

Special Warning!

Virgo

Lucky Color
Khaki Green

Love Fortune

Attention Virgos! be sure to act coldly towards your boy or girlfriend
Otherwise, due to the influence of the Hale-Bopp comet, the entire Earth may be destroyed

THE HOROSCOPE BOOK ALSO SAID THAT THE DAY WE FIRST MET WAS A DAY OF FATE.
IT SAID IT WAS A SUPER-LUCKY WEEK THE FIRST TIME WE WENT OUT ON A DATE!
I THINK THAT'S HOW I WAS ABLE TO GO OUT WITH YOU.
BUT YOU STILL DON'T BELIEVE IT?
I...I GUESS NOT. SORRY.
TEE HEE!

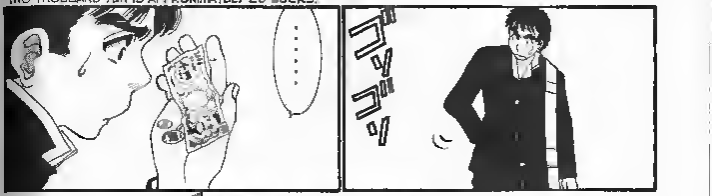
HUH?
FINE
WH-WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? YOU'RE REALLY STARTING TO BUG ME. I'M HEADING HOME.
SEE? YOU'RE GETTING WHAT YOU DESERVE.
EW! WHAT IS THIS?! DISGUSTING!
?!
REALLY? I WONDER...
THAT WAS JUST BECAUSE I WASN'T PAYING ATTENTION!

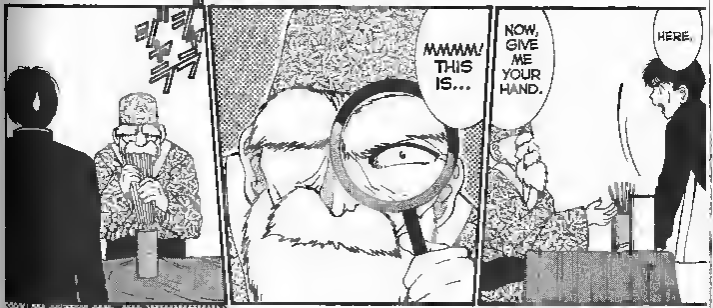
BUT THE BAD LUCK KEPT COMING!
FIRST...
Urrk
...I GOT A COLD.
AND THEN, DURING A SUDDEN CLASS INSPECTION, MY MANGA AND PORNO BOOKS WERE TAKEN.
And yet I don't think I stand to be!
I'D PLANNED ON BUYING THE NEWEST ALBUM JUDY & MARY ALBUM...
What the ? This is "Strange Sensation"
...BUT I MIXED UP THE ORDER AND GOT AN OLD ONE INSTEAD.
AS FOR NAMI...
IT LOOKS GREAT ON YOU!
...SHE GOT A HORRIBLE HAIRCUT AT THE HAIRDRESSER!...
...AND HER TANNISAICHI WAS STOLEN.
HERE, YOU CAN BORROW MINE.
BUT IT FINALLY GREW INTO AN ADULT!
PLUS SHE ACCIDENTALLY CUT HER TOENAILS TOO SHORT...
OUCH...

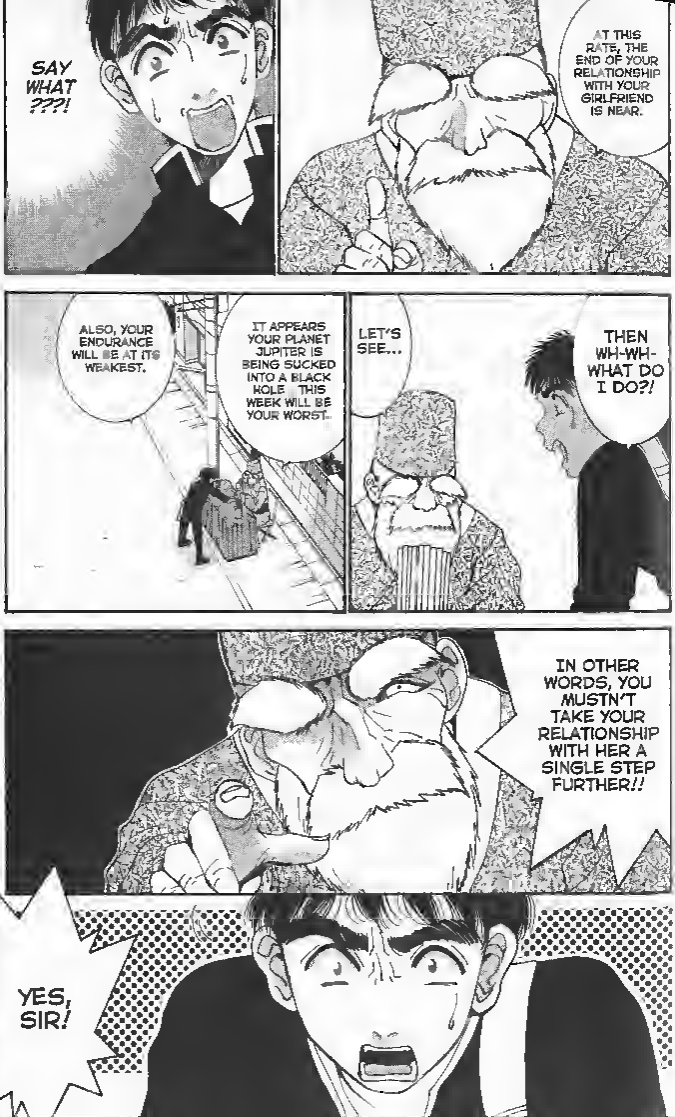
HEY, DON'T YOU THINK THIS IS ALL HAPPENING BECAUSE YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN FORTUNE-TELLING?
WELL, NO...
ブオーン
EEK!

UGH, THAT'S DISGUSTING!
EW!
ACHOO!
H HEY! WAIT!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO GOT US INTO THIS MESS!
SEE? ALL THIS BAD STUFF IS HAPPENING TO US BECAUSE YOU FORCED A KISS ON ME!
OOOH! THIS SUCKS! THERE'S GOTTA BE A REASON WHY MY BAD LUCK KEEPS PILING ON!
BUT NAMI'S RIGHT. EVERY SINCE THAT DAY, WEIRD THINGS HAVE BEEN HAPPENING.
WHY'D IT HAVE TO TURN OUT LIKE THIS?
HUH?
MAYBE... MAYBE IT REALLY IS FORTUNE-TELLING...

*TWO THOUSAND YEN IS APPROXIMATELY 20 BUCKS!






SAY WHAT ???!
AT THIS RATE, THE END OF YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR GIRLFRIEND IS NEAR.
ALSO, YOUR ENDURANCE WILL BE AT ITS WEAKEST.
IT APPEARS YOUR PLANET JUPITER IS BEING SUCKED INTO A BLACK HOLE. THIS WEEK WILL BE YOUR WORST.
LET'S SEE...
THEN WH-WH-WHAT DO I DO?!
IN OTHER WORDS, YOU MUSTN'T TAKE YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH HER A SINGLE STEP FURTHER!!
YES, SIR!

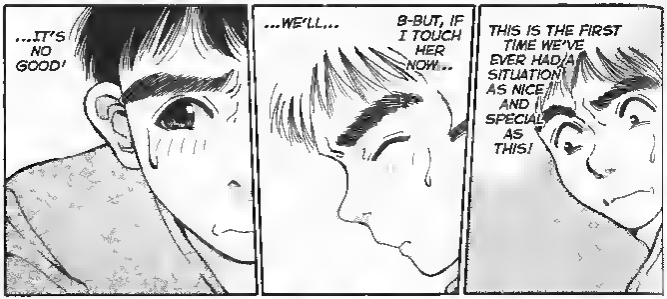
...TO COME HANG OUT AT HER HOUSE.
THE NEXT DAY, NAMI INVITED ME...
SHE'S IN AN AWFULLY GOOD MOOD TODAY.
THANKS.
WAIT RIGHT HERE. I'LL GO MAKE US SOME TEA.
THAT'S OKAY. SO YOUR AUNT IS OUT?
SORRY FOR THE WAIT!
AND MY MOM AND DAD WON'T BE COMING HOME UNTIL LATE.
SHE HAD SOME BUSINESS TO TAKE CARE OF.
THIS WOULD BE THE PERFECT CHANCE TO...
WHY AM I GETTING ALL NERVOUS?
WHOA... SO THAT MEANS... IT'LL JUST BE THE TWO OF US.

THE CAKE IS SUPPOSED TO BE REALLY GOOD! IT'S QUITE POPULAR.
OH. NICE.
UH, YASUAKI?
HM?
SAY "AH"...
MUNCH MUNCH
OH, THANKS

NOW, IF WE KISS, IT'LL BE REALLY SWEET.
WH-WHERE DID THAT COME FROM?!
.....
?!
KISS
oooTHIS IS A LOOOONG KISS!
MAN...!!

A-AND I CAN FEEL HER BREASTS AGAINST ME!
ERGGGH! I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE!
YOU MUSTN'T TAKE YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH HER A SINGLE STEP FURTHER!!
OOPS!

...IT'S ALL RIGHT.
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
...
O-OH... IT S JUST THAT
WHAT???!


...IT'S NO GOOD!
...WE'LL...
B-BUT, IF I TOUCH HER NOW...
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'VE EVER HAD A SITUATION AS NICE AND I SPECIAL AS THIS!

BUT...oo!

ALL RIGHT! LET'S DO THIS!
TOUCHING HER BREASTS WON'T TAKE OUR RELATIONSHIP THAT MUCH FURTHER...WILL IT?

AH...
WHOA!!
S-SEE? THAT WASN'T SO HARD.
LET'S GO TO MY ROOM.
HEY
HM?
UH... SURE
.....

HOLY CRAP!
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WHAT'S SHE PLANNING?!
WH-WHAT DO I DO?!

SHE'S... TRYING TO... MAKE A MOVE ON ME?
OH MY GOD... IT CAN'T BE...
WHATEVER HAPPENS... THIS MUST BE TAKING OUR RELATIONSHIP TO ANOTHER LEVEL, RIGHT?
TOUCH HER AND YOUR RELATION-SHIP'S OVER!!
ANY DEEPER IS FORBIDDEN !!
IF I DID... NONE OF THOSE BAD THINGS WOULD'VE HAPPENED!
Pop!
Poop
Poop
MAYBE I REALLY SHOULD BELIEVE IN FORTUNES!
BUT...
...THAT OLD FORTUNE-TELLER MIGHT BE RIGHT!
...OH NOOO!! DAMN IT, I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO ANYMORE!
WHICH MEANS...

!
……
……
FLUTTER
?!

HUH ...?
PLEASE-- STOP! WE CAN'T GO ANY FURTHER!
...
NO ...
AM I... NOT ATTRACTIVE?
WHY WON'T YOU DO ANY THING?
...THAT I SHOULDN'T TRY TO DEEPEN OUR RELATIONSHIP THIS WEEK!
BUT... BUT! FORTUNE-TELLER TOLD ME...
NO NO NO! I REAAALLY WANT TO DO IT!!
HUH?
WHAT?! YOU'RE KIDDING!

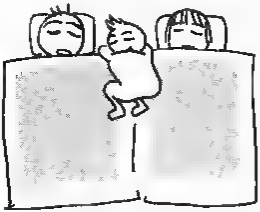
Sagittarius
Lucky Color: Pink
Love Fortune
This week is the best for love! We can't stress enough that NOW is your only chance to deepen your relationship. For those of you interested in cementing your future...
IT SAYS RIGHT HERE THAT THIS WAS THE ONLY CHANCE TO DEEPEN OUR RELATIONSHIP! SEE FOR YOURSELF!
MY HOROSCOPE TOLD ME THAT THIS WAS THE BEST WEEK FOR LOVE!
STARE
OH!
HUH?
...IT WAS LAST WEEK'S ISSUE.
THEN WHAT ABOUT THIS WEEK'S?
OKAY, LET'S SEE...
WHAT'S IT SAY?
OH...
Sagittarius
Lucky Color: Blue
Love Fortune
This week is an absolute NO for getting closer to your guy! If you two do not follow this rule, your future together is over! Don't forget the position of the moon and Saturn play a role in your life. Just try your hardest to prevent any sort of progress in your relationship with him!

SOME-ONE'S HERE!
NAMI-CHAN! WE'RE HOME!
.....
WH-WHAT W/S THAT?
?!
MOM AND DAD ARE HOME...
EEK! WHY ARE YOU PUTTING ON MY SKIRT?!!
OH, NO! WE'RE IN BIG TROUBLE!
To be End

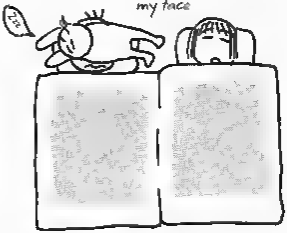
A Word From Tamakoshi

I have a one and a half year old baby boy at home. His name is "Daiyuu." He's got an odd name, but is a very energetic little baby. And almost every day he likes to drive me and the wife crazy when we're trying to sleep. Plus he never can stay in the same position twice...

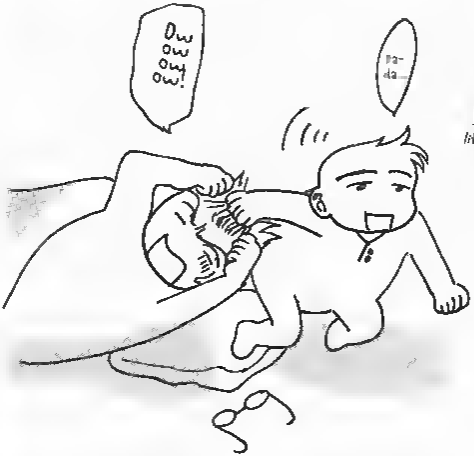
This is how we usually sleep



But by morning, he sleeps right on my face



And eventually, he'll grab a tuft of my hair and try dragging me around the room.



It's a mystery how this little monster will actually grow up to be an adult someday...
(Tamakoshi)

HELLO! THIS IS OLD MAN ITABASHI!

IN THE BEGINNING IT WAS ONE OF MY READERS, MY OLDER BROTHER TO BE EXACT, WHO FIRST STARTED THIS SERIES. I'D ONLY PLANNED ON DOING THIS SHORT TERM, PERHAPS TEN STORIES AT BEST. BUT BEFORE I KNEW IT, I'D BEEN TOLD TO DO AN ENTIRE "SECOND SEASON" SERIES, REACHING THREE VOLUMES AND A TOTAL OF THIRTY STORIES!

THANKS TO THAT, NOW I FEEL MORE LIKE AN OLD MAN THAN MY OLDER BROTHER! MY PARTNER, TAMAKOSHI-KUN, CHANGED FROM A LIKABLE YOUNG MAN INTO A TEACHER! AND MY EDITOR, N-SAN, BECAME THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF. WHEN THE THIRD VOLUME OF THE FIRST SEASON CAME OUT, WE ALL WENT TO HOKKAIDO FOR A CELEBRATION, BUT THAT'S WHEN TAMAKOSHI SAID, "I WANT TO RELEASE TEN VOLUMES!" IT REALLY TAKES ME BACK TO THINK HOW MUCH N-SAN AND I LAUGHED AT THAT.

TIME FLIES WHEN YOU'RE HAVING FUN, AND LOVE JUST KEEPS GETTING HARDER FOR US MIDDLE-AGED OLD FARTS. I WONDER IF I'LL STILL BE KNOWN AS THE CREATOR OF "BOYS BE..." WHEN I'M AN OLD MAN! THERE HAVE BEEN TIMES WHEN MY NEW EDITOR, I-SAN, LAUGHED MISCHEVIOUSLY AND SAID, "OH, WE STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO."

...AND, WELL, THAT'S WHAT I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT THESE DAYS.

MASAHIRO "OLD MAN" ITABASHI

Next Time in BOYS BE

A normally quiet girl turns out to be one rockin' punk singer--much to the surprise of her classmate! A fateful photo mix-up sends one boy on a madcap chase! And a girlfriend's uncanny sixth sense gets a guy in deep trouble when a female classmate drops by!

One thing's for sure, love is all around and it makes people do the strangest things!

Twin Talk: A Guy's Guide to Girls
By Kathy and Chrissy Schilling

TSUNEO IS THE EPITOME OF THOSE DORKS WE ALL HAVE TO PUT UP WITH AT SOME POINT IN OUR LIVES. FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE, THE LITTLE CREEP HARASSES GIRLS BY FLIPPING UP THEIR SKIRTS! WHAT ARE WE, FIRST-GRADERS?!

I PERSONALLY THINK THAT KIND OF BEHAVIOR COULD LAND YOU A WHOLE HEAP OF LAWSUITS. EVEN THOUGH THE GIRLS DIDN'T REPORT HIM, I STILL GOTTA ADMIRE HOW ITOU, IMAMURA AND SHIMODA TOOK MATTERS INTO THEIR OWN HANDS WITH THEIR PLAN OF REVENGE AGAINST THE LITTLE HORN-DOG.

HELL, YEAH! THEY TAUGHT TSUNEO A LESSON HE WAS BADLY IN NEED OF. THE GUY WAS COMPLETELY DISILLUSIONED TO THINK HE HAD SOME KIND OF MANLY CHARM THAT COULD ACTUALLY GET A GIRL TO FALL FOR HIM AFTER HIS CHILDISH ANTICS. I MEAN, CAN YOU SAY "REALITY CHECK"?!

AND THE *MOTHER* OF ALL SHAMES WAS HIS PRESUMPTUOUS ATTITUDE--THROWING AROUND THE THREE MAGIC WORDS LIKE IT WAS NOTHING. HE WAS OBVIOUSLY JUST THERE FOR THE CHANCE OF GETTING SOME BOOTY (SORRY, TSUNEO, *NOT* GONNA HAPPEN). JUGGLING THREE GIRLS LIKE HE WAS SOME KIND OF MASTER PIMP WAS *NOT* IMPRESSIVE.

WE SAY TWO THUMBS UP TO THE GIRLS FOR THEIR HARDCORE LESSON THAT STRIPPED TSUNEO THE *LOSER* OF ALL HIS UPPITY PRIDE! LISTEN, BOYS: SNEAKY PLAYING AROUND AIN'T GONNA LAND YOU ANYWHERE BUT IN THE DUMPSTER. PEACE OUT.

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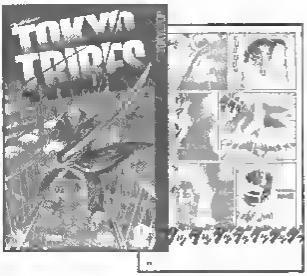
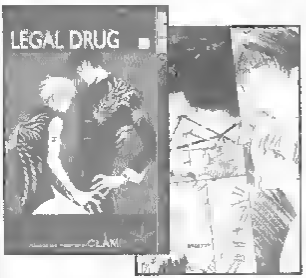


BY SANTA INOUE

TOKYO TRIBES

Tokyo Tribes first hit Japanese audiences in the sleek pages of the ultra-hip skater fashion magazine *Boon*. Santa Inoue's hard-hitting tale of Tokyo street gangs battling it out in the concrete sprawl of Japan's capital raises the manga storytelling bar. Ornate with hip-hop trappings and packed with gangland grit, *Tokyo Tribes* paints a vivid, somewhat surreal vision of urban youth rival gangs from various Tokyo barrios clash over turf, and when the heat between two of the tribes gets personal, a bitter rivalry explodes into all-out warfare.

–Luis Reyes, Editor



BY CLAMP

LEGAL DRUG

CLAMP is the four-woman studio famous for creating much of the world's most popular manga. For the past 15 years they have produced such hits as the adorable *Cardcaptor Sakura*, the dark and brooding *Tokyo Babylon*, and the sci-fi romantic comedy *Chobits*. In *Legal Drug*, we meet Kazahaya and Rikuou, two ordinary pharmacists who moonlight as amateur sleuths for a mysterious boss. *Legal Drug* is a perfect dose of mystery, psychic powers and the kind of homoerotic tension for which CLAMP is renowned.

–Lillian Diaz-Przybyl, Jr. Editor

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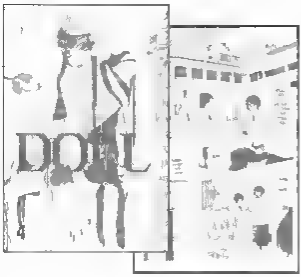
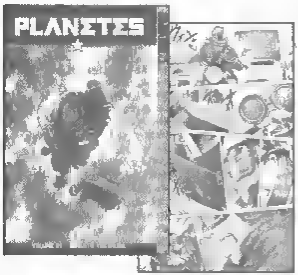


BY MITSUKAZU MIHARA

DOLL

Mitsukazu Mihara's haunting *Doll* uses beautiful androids to examine what it means to be truly human. While the characters in *Doll* are draped in the chic Gothic-Lolita fashions that made Mihara-sensei famous, the themes explored are more universal—all emotions and walks of life have their day in *Doll*. *Doll* begins as a series of 'one-shot' stories and gradually dovetails into an epic of emotion and intrigue. It's like the *Twilight Zone* meets *Blade Runner*!

~Rob Tokar, Senior Editor



BY MAKOTO YUKIMURA

PLANETES

Makoto Yukimura's profoundly moving and graphically arresting *Planetes* posits a near future where mankind's colonization of space has begun. Young Hachimaki yearns to join this exciting new frontier. Instead, he cleans the glut of orbital junk mankind's initial foray into space produced. He works with Fee, a nicotine-addict beauty with an abrasive edge, and Yuri, a veteran spaceman with a tragic past in search of inner peace. *Planetes* combines the scope of Jules Verne (*Around the World in Eighty Days*) and Robert Heinlein (*Starship Troopers*) with the philosophical wonder of *2001: A Space Odyssey*.

~Luis Reyes, Editor

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